

Interview Summary

Application No.

10/743,179

Applicant(s)

YU ET AL.

Examiner

MATTHEW J. DANIELS

Art Unit

1791

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) MATTHEW J. DANIELS.

(3) Jennifer Riley.

(2) Joel Armstrong (46430).

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 17 June 2007.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1-30.

Identification of prior art discussed: Yu (396), Yu (532), and Taniishi.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The Yu '396 reference was discussed with regard to the location and type of heating performed. An amendment to claim 1 was proposed to place the heating device at the processing the tube and incorporate the cooling stream of claim 15. The Examiner suggested that this amendment appears to overcome the previous rejections. The Examiner noted that claim 16 recites similar subject matter and indicated that the rejection of that claim would be reconsidered and may be withdrawn. The Examiner also noted that it is unclear that support exists for claims drawn to the withdrawn species of claims 10 and 21 in combination with the independent claims from which they depend.